

him as a role model and mentor. He is also a respected leader outside the classroom as his innovative research has proven. I am very proud of Dr. Allison's promising discovery in immunotherapy; it represents a significant advancement in cancer research and an opportunity to save countless lives.

Mr. Speaker, thank you for the opportunity to honor Dr. James P. Allison of South Texas for his contributions to cancer research. I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Dr. Allison for his life-changing work and congratulating him in advance of the Nobel ceremonies in December.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. MICHAEL  
E. LUFSEY

**HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 12, 2018*

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the service of Mr. Michael E. Lufsey and his long and honorable government contract career. Mr. Lufsey has honored his country with over 40 years of service in graphic support and design, demonstrating not only skill at his craft, but devotion to our nation.

Before his career in government contracting, "Mike" graduated from Douglas Freeman High School in 1968 in Henrico, Virginia. Two years later, he served with the United States Coast Guard for a brief, two-month stint before receiving a medical discharge.

In June 1977, Mr. Lufsey provided government contractor services with Magnavox Government and Industrial Corporation as a technical illustrator. With Magnavox, he assisted with computer graphic support to Department of Defense clients, developing military technical training manuals. In November 1992, Mike transitioned to TAD Technical Services, working as a Graphic Artist and providing graphic support for technology companies like IBM and JAYCOR. By August of 1993, Mr. Lufsey was the Senior Graphic Artist and Illustrator at Coleman Research Corporation where he provided graphic support for the Department of Energy on training presentations, briefings, and Department plans.

In September 1997, Mr. Lufsey became a Principle Designer with Anteon Corporation (later General Dynamics). In this capacity, he performed briefing support services and magazine development for three Navy Flag Officers. He also produced large scale posters which were placed onboard the USS *Ramage* for tours conducted at the Army/Navy game in December 2008.

For the past 21 years, Mr. Lufsey has served a contract with ECS (formerly Paradigm) and has continued to support the mission of the Missile Defense Agency and Aegis Missile Defense as a graphic designer. Throughout his prestigious career, Mr. Lufsey has received acclamations from satisfied clients and grateful organizations including letters of appreciation from four Rear Admirals, commendations from the Scientific Advisory Board, and the Theater Surface Combatants Unit Award for Excellence.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me in recognizing Mr. Michael Lufsey's lifetime of accomplishment and dedication. An admirable illus-

tration of leadership and service, and an outstanding member of our community, may God bless Mr. Lufsey and his family as he continues to be an example of service and commitment. On behalf of America's First District, we say thank you.

#### CONSTITUENT COMMENTS ON SOBER LIVING HOME PROBLEMS

**HON. DANA ROHRBACHER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 12, 2018*

Mr. ROHRBACHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise again regarding the hearing held by the Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice on September 28, 2018 on the issue of sober living homes. At that hearing, I had the privilege of testifying at that hearing in support of my bill, H.R. 5724, to restore local oversight over sober living homes. As part of my testimony, I submitted to the Subcommittee letters from many of my constituents about problems with sober living homes caused by current federal law preventing appropriate local oversight. For the benefit of my colleagues and the American people, I include in the RECORD the third group of these constituent letters:

As an ER nurse and a mom, I taught my children the dangers of drugs and thought I would never have issues. At 17, my high functioning autistic child was addicted to marijuana. I sent him to wilderness camp, rehab centers and nothing worked. At 18, I made a decision to put him into a sober living home thinking he would learn life skills and to be clean. Instead, he learned that if he would fail sober living and go to a rehab center he was eligible for a grant of \$3000 and he could keep \$1000 but the guy who was setting it up would keep the rest. His job is to recruit people to fail at sober living to obtain grants. Luckily for us, my child had the fear of never being able to live at home. I have seen at least 100 patients from SLH test positive for substances even hiding small shampoo bottles inside body cavities with other people's urine to use for testing. Recruit to CA for more money in benefits is what they are told. Then they are stuck here. I see patients that are here from Maryland, Texas, Nebraska, and Florida. They were brought here for rehab, went into sober living home and now are homeless, addicts, with no money to get home.

MONTE KAY YOHR,  
*Huntington Beach, California.*

My wife and I have lived in our home for 29 years and raised our kids here. It was a quiet residential neighborhood up until approximately a couple of months ago when a sober living home moved in four doors down from us. Since then I have witnessed numerous occasions when armed police officers and parole officials have had to come to the sober living home to talk with the residents. This August at approximately 1:30 a.m. there were three individuals captured on numerous neighborhood surveillance cameras cooking up heroine, jumping over fences and trying to enter the homes of my neighbors as police officers tried to apprehend them. Needless to say, as these drug people were just outside my home, my wife and I were very upset! On another occasion one of the sober living home residents had one of their pit bull dogs loose and on the street barking and terrorizing the neighbors. Thankfully the dog

catcher was able to apprehend them before someone got hurt or bit! Treatment centers are needed, BUT not in a family residential neighborhood! Please help us regain our neighborhood!

ALAN OSTERHOUT,  
*Huntington Beach, California.*

Ever since the detox/sober living home opened IN our neighborhood, our lives have never been the same. Loud and obnoxious music, nonstop barking dogs, day and night. Cars and people in and out of the house at all hours. There's been incidents of them trying to break in to people's homes, running through our yards at night, doing heroin in the street corner and one exposing himself to a child. All this in a neighborhood full of hardworking and law-abiding families and less than fifty feet from a middle school. There is something terribly wrong when the government fails us at all levels. The fact that we pay taxes should count for something, especially when it comes to protecting our families. If something isn't done soon, I'm afraid there won't be any turning back. You need to implement rules, regulations and laws that will prohibit these unscrupulous places from invading our neighborhoods. These are for-profit places, money is their goal. The characters running these places are shady, we know for a fact that several of them are in probation and all the activity described above is substantiated by video footage. I'm pleading with you to please save our families and our neighborhoods.

MANUELA ALMEIDA,  
*Huntington Beach, California.*

The purpose of this letter is to be among the several with growing concerns over the establishment of a Sober Living Home in our community. My wife and I live on [ADDRESS], next to [REDACTED] Elementary in Huntington Beach. A Sober Living Home was recently established at the end of our block. Since that time our neighborhood has undergone a sweeping change in way in which we conduct our day-to-day activities.

We have noticed a marked increase in the number of people who are not members of our neighborhood, simply walking the street. At first, this does not sound too ominous. Then we add in the number of cars, not from the local area that are driving very slowly up and down our street. Please remember that we are located within 300 feet of an active Middle School. These are not the cars of parents picking up their children as school starts on September 5 for them. These are not people who are lost or looking for an address. These are people who seem to stop and start in front of the Sober Living House. There are people at all hours of the night that seem to open the trunk of a car and put something in; or, take something out of the car and then carry on down the street. This is all documented and supported with footage from local household security cameras.

My curiosity rose to the highest level of concern when on Friday morning, August 24 at 1:30 AM, I was startled by unusual noises outside the front of my house, where my bedroom window is located. I looked outside the shutters only to find two strangers at my window. Please take notice that my bedroom window is 30 feet or a full driveway length off the street. These two were prowling in front of my bedroom where my wife and I were sleeping. I ran to the front door, which is always locked and chained, turned on the porch light to startle and scare them off. My wife shouted we were calling the police and indicated we had a gun. I also have the RING security doorbell/camera. I activated it immediately so that I could observe their response. The video shows two male figures approaching my front door and then turning